

● "The walls which divide us can be broken down only if we are prepared to listen and learn from one another. We need to resolve our differences through forms of dialogue which help us grow in understanding and mutual respect." Pope Francis

● "The five-year effort of *Gathering for Mission* holds the promise of transformational leadership here in the United States and Canada. It is the living witness of Pope Francis, doing the Gospel, which is at the heart of this venture." Rev. Tim Murphy
Chair of CCS' Board of Trustees

● "Pope Francis embodies the praise and thanks that are at the heart of my spirituality in a living witness that speaks to everyone. *Gathering for Mission* is an invitation to deepen our ability to give thanks and praise in our daily lives." Martin Sheen

● "Gathering for Mission is a clear sign that the Holy Spirit is blowing in this day, as it has throughout the ages, moving each and all from fear and judgment to grace and mercy." Most Reverend Robert Guglielmone
Bishop of Charleston
Chair of CCS' Bishops Advisory Council

WHAT IS CCS?

Catholic Committee of the South (CCS), a 501(c)3 organization, is a network of Church leaders, bishops, field workers, and grassroots organizers across the South who are committed to solidarity with those who are on the margins. The mission of CCS is to listen to the cry of struggling peoples, identify the injustice, bring the voice of the Gospel to the reflection, and encourage the faith community to take action. Founded in 1939, CCS has extensive experience in both dialogue and encounter.



INVITATION

To move forward with *Gathering for Mission's* process of transformational leadership in your diocese, or if you have questions, please contact our project coordinator, Sister Mary Priniski, OP, at: SisterMary@GatheringforMission.org

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● Pope Francis reiterated the significance of dialogue in creating a culture of encounter during his apostolic visit to the United States. *Gathering for Mission* is an inspired response to the Holy Father's call.

● *Gathering for Mission* engages all levels of church leadership in dialogue with the voice and vision of Pope Francis.

● *Gathering for Mission* shares the teachings of Christ Jesus and Pope Francis in a new series of video triptychs commissioned by CCS and produced by Maryknoll Media.

● *Gathering for Mission* adapts to the unique nature of church leadership in each diocese including clergy, religious, seminarians, catechists, and ministry leaders as well as diocesan and parish staff.

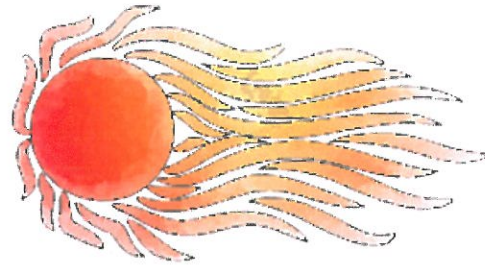
● *Gathering for Mission* can be presented as a clergy day, ministerial formation for clergy and laity, staff retreat, another format, or a combination of gatherings.

● *Gathering for Mission* is present in a diocese with the expressed invitation of the bishop.

● *Gathering for Mission* is a five-year project of CCS in partnership with Glenmary's Commission on Peace, Justice and Care of Creation.

VIDEO THEMES

- Called to Be Disciples
- The Joy of the Gospel
- A Humble, Pilgrim Church
- A Church That Listens
- The People of God
- Nothing is Impossible With God
- Hearts of Mercy and Compassion
- Building a Culture of Encounter
- The Cry of the Poor
- Caring for Our Common Home
- All Are Welcome
- Discerning New Voices and New Gifts



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